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SUBJ: PUERTO RICO IN COMMITTEE OF 24: ETHIOPIA

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1. AS DEPT WILL RECALL, ETHIOPIAN CHARGE DERESSA HAD ASSURED US THAT ETHIOPIA WOULD WORK FOR DEFERMENT ON PUERTO RICAN QUESTION AND SUPPORT ANY SUCH MOTION WHICH WOULD SERVE THIS PURPOSE (USUN 3729). ACCORDINGLY, WE WERE SURPRISED BY THE ABSENCE OF THE ETHIOPIANS DURING THE APPROPRIATE VOTE ON THE AUSTRALIAN MOTION FOR DEFERRAL.

2. MISOFF TO WHOM DERESSA HAD PROMISED SUPPORT, SPOKE WITH DERESSA AGAIN AUG 25. DERESSA APOLOGIZED PROFUSELY FOR "MISUNDERSTANDING". HE NOTED THAT HE FULLY SHARED OUR PRINCIPLES CONCERNING THE QUESTION AND THAT HE INDEED HAD WORKED TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS ON THE COMMITTEE TO VOTE FOR DEFERRAL. EPMG HAD GIVEN HIS "STANDING INSTRUCTIONS", HOWEVER, TO AVOID PARTICIPATING IN ANY VOTE ON THIS QUESTION. DERESSA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, HE HAD NEGLECTED TO TELL MISOFF OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS AT THE TIME HE HAD COMMITTED HIMSELF TO SUPPORT DEFERRAL. MOYNIHAN

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